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In re Application of:
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Application No. 09/829,935
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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL
FROM ISSUE
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.313

The purpose of this communication is to inform you that the above identified application is being withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.313.

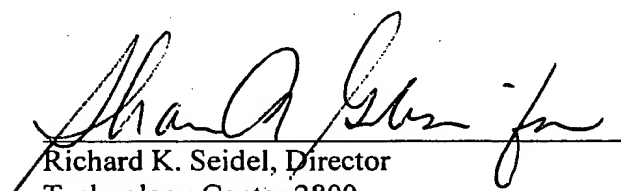
The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue. The Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due mailed August 8, 2002 and the Notice of Allowability mailed February 25, 2003, are hereby vacated.

The application is being withdrawn in view of relevant references contained in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted by Applicant.

If the issue fee has been submitted, the applicant may request a refund, or may request that the fee be credited to a deposit account. However, applicant may wait until the application is either again found allowable or held abandoned. If the application is allowed, upon receipt of a new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, applicant may request that the previously submitted issue fee be applied toward payment of the issue fee in the amount identified on the new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due. If the application is abandoned, applicant may request either a refund or a credit to a Deposit Account.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Paula Bradley at (703) 308-2319.

The above-identified application is being forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action.


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